

I do not like the idea of my children's test scores and other personal information being shared with a national database – it could be hacked & published, or given to businesses seeking to profit from them. CC testing enhances corporate influence in school – whose interests do they have in mind?? I have huge concerns about the [possible] use of behavioral indicators, accessed through assessments, surveys, questionnaires, etc. Where does it end up??? Where does it end???

I am opposed to any of my or my child's data being used to determine school ranking, teacher effectiveness, state or federal longitudinal studies or for any other purpose other than for the individual classroom teacher's own use to improve his or her instruction.

I believe that Common Core STATE standards were forced on the states via dirty politics at the national level – between state leaders and private, elite Washington groups. Common Core standards were not developed in a transparent manner. They left out parents, teachers, and local school boards!

Common Core has been imposed in so many states, regardless of demographic & geographic needs or differences. It could be labeled as "cookie-cutter" education ...because, we are all so...alike, right?

The purpose of many standardized tests seems to be to rank, or sort kids, into groups...for, what???

I do not like being refused access to viewing test questions my child is expected to answer. ~ Why can't I?

Math fluency and math estimation is used instead of right or wrong answers! Which means that at times the right answer is not correct!! So, how is THAT correct? Where does that lead to besides confusion?

CC is "rigorous." WHO decides what "rigorous" means, and to what degree for what age and individual development?

Common Core is untested, & federally mandated. Local control and parental input is gone with Common Core.

Common Core causes many schools to compromise their educational mission & purpose.

I believe that Common Core ignores the independent judgment of most teachers within their own classrooms. They no longer have the freedom to be individuals who creatively teach in the way that works well FOR THEM, or FOR THEIR students. CC screws many wonderful teachers!

Valuable instructional time is lost when students are subjected to online testing and data mining!

I do not agree with reducing classroom instruction time to teach to the test, or ONLY to the standards.

The quality of CC standards were never assessed before they were implemented.

No one knows what the cost of CC is, or will be to taxpayers – but it is and will be expensive! Can we honestly afford to throw more money at education?!

With CC comes layers of bureaucracy and government control. Do parents want to hand their freedom over to the gov't??

Much of classic western literature has been removed from the classrooms and been replaced with propaganda. Where & when western literature is still used, summary reading is promoted, and liberal indoctrination is used. Imposing nothing but grandiose ideas on young impressionable minds has serious consequences!

Common Core = limited learning to lifelong labor. We all want our children to work, but they need to LEARN about the wonders, beauty, and facts of life AS they are growing up! Common Core robs them of that experience during childhood – a time of innocence, curiosity and energy that they can never relive...

Common Core appears to be an attempt to close the achievement gap between minority and low-income students relative to their peers – BY educating to the lowest common denominator – dumbing down the brightest and smartest to the level of the dimmest and the unmotivated AND, to **punish** those who have the audacity to think outside the box, or go beyond it!

Common core does, and will, usurp individualism, true creativity, and ambition.

Signed by yours truly, a not-so-PC, anti-common core extremist mother of seven brilliant, intelligent, God-fearing children, who also HATE Common Core. ☺

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*CC teaches WHAT to think,
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